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## STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir:

On April 22, 2004, the Office Mailed an Office Action with respect to the above referenced patent application. Applicants requested a telephonic interview with the Office. A telephonic interview was held on July 24, 2004 with Examiner Phan representing the Office and Attorneys Ronald A. D'Alessandro and Hunter E. Webb representing applicants. Applicants respectfully submit the following statement:

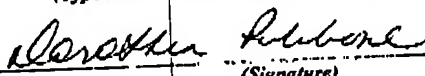
During the interview, the rejection of claims 1-19 in light of Arai, Guyett and Guyett was discussed. No exhibit or demonstration was submitted by Applicants. A proposed amendment was submitted by Applicants on July 24, 2004, which clarified that in the present invention, the user can "designate distinct alarm signals." Claim 1. Applicants explained in that the current invention, a user has the freedom to configure the clock his or herself, whereas, in sharp contrast, all of the Arai alarm signals are set from the factory. Applicants further explained that similar to

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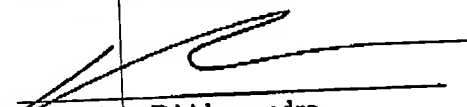
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alarm signals, all of the signal volumes in the Arai alarm clock are pre-set from the factory, thus limiting its operation by a user. The Examiner agreed with Applicants that Arai does not teach each and every feature of the claimed invention.

Applicants respectfully submit that all claims are in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner require anything further to place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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